

MUMBAI SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION

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The Headmaster/Headmistress,
MEMBER SCHOOLS.

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MSSA- ANNUAL INTER SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT MINI BASKETBALL AND MIDGET BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS 2024-2025 BOYS AND GIRLS

Member Schools are hereby informed that the MSSA-Annual Inter School Basketball Tournaments for Boys and Girls Seniors Under-16 years, Mini-Basketball Tournament for Boys and Girls Under-13 years, Midget Basketball Tournament for Boys and Girls Under-11 years and Cadet Boys and Girls under 9 years will be held between October 14, 2024 to March, 2025 at Rajhans Vidyalaya School, Andheri and MSSA- Castrol Schools Sports Centre, Azad Maidan.

- 1) a) **ENTRY FEE :** 1) Senior-Basketball u/16 years - Rs.3000/- per Team
2) Mini-Basketball u/13 years - Rs.3000/- per Team
3) Midget-Basketball u/11 years - Rs.3000/- per Team
4) Cadet Basketball u/9 years Rs.3000/- per Team
- b) **Entries close on October 5, 2024 for Boys and Girls u/16 years, Boys & Girls u/13 years, Boys & Girls u/ 11 years and Boys and Girls U/9 years. Tournaments will be held on League-cum K.O. (Format)**
- c) Draws to be collected from Association's Office from October 10, 2024
- 2) **PLEASE NOTE:**
 - a) Entries will not be accepted unless they are accompanied with the Entry Form (Form enclosed) properly filled in. (The Entry Form must have the names and cell No. of Sportsmaster/Teacher-in-Charge/Coach). Wrong entry will be rejected. Only whose names are listed on the entry form will be allowed to coach the teams.
 - b) **Important:**
The Mumbai Schools Sports Association has planned to start MSSA Basketball Academy. Players taking part in the MSSA Basketball Tournaments will be selected for representing MSSA Basketball Academy in the District and Inter District Basketball Tournaments of the Maharashtra State Basketball Association. The Players selected for the MSSA Basketball Academy will have to pay a normal Registration Fee. Schools and Coaches are requested to co-operate.

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3) **ELIGIBILITY (BOYS AND GIRLS):**

- a) **Senior** - Under-16 Years: Born on or after 01-01-2009
- b) **Mini** - Under-13 Years: Born on or after 01-01-2012
- c) **Midgets-** Under-11 Years: Born on or after 01-01-2014
- d) **Cadet** Under-09 years : Born on or after 01-01-2016
- e) An institution can send one or two teams in each age-group.
A player must participate in one age-group only. A player belonging to the lower age group can participate in higher age group, but then will not be eligible to play in his /her age group.
- f) Bonafide students of the School from Std. I to Std. X having their names on the rolls (in the General Register and on the Class Register) of the School on or before **August 1, 2024** are eligible.
Note: Students appearing as private candidates for Mumbai Divisional Board/National Open School (Delhi Board) from their respective school will not be allowed to participate.

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4) **IDENTITY CARD FOR SPORTSMaster/TEACHER/COACH**

Sportmaster/Teacher/ Coach accompanying the team must possess Mumbai Schools Sports Association “**School Official**” Identity Card. A school official Identity card will be issued to the sportsmaster/ Teacher / Coach and the same has to be duly filled in block letters with a latest Identity Card size (1’x1’) photograph and to be submitted for registration to the Association Office. The above mentioned officials will not be entertained or recognized by the Association without the accredited valid identity card and if their name is not listed on the list of players submitted to the Association.

The Identity Card must be worn round the neck, when on duty.

- 5) The team must report along with the Sportmaster/Teacher-in-Charge/Coach 20 minutes before the commencement of their match.
- 6) Players will only be permitted to enter the field of Play after the Identity Cards fully filled in and registered are deposited with the Person-in-Charge of the Venue or with the Referee-in-Charge of the Match.
- 7) Players without Identity Cards will not be allowed to play or enter the field. The card must be worn round the neck by a cord provided by the School.
- 8) Each Team shall wear distinguishing colours with numbers on both sides of the vest. Numbers from 4 to 99 only shall be permitted.
- 9) **FOOTWEAR:** Canvas Shoes or Basketball Shoes are compulsory.
- 10) Latest International Basketball and Mini Basketball Rules as adopted by the BFI and MSBA will be followed. Rules for Midget Basketball will be the same as Mini Basketball with the exception of three rules. There will be no three second violation and back court violation. Each quarter will be of 8 minutes duration.

- 11) The referee's decision in the conduct of the game shall be final.
- 12) The Tournament Committee's decision on all matters concerning the tournament shall be final and binding.
- 13) No postponement shall ordinarily be given but the Committee has the right to postpone the game in extra-ordinary cases.
- 14) **PLEASE NOTE:** The Committee reserves the right to alter or amend any of these Rules.
- 15) Basketball for the matches will be provided by the Association. In the absence of the Association's ball, the Referee should select one of the ball from among the participating teams. In view of this clause, the Schools are instructed to carry one Basketball in good playing condition.

The size of the balls and height of the Baskets to be used in the tournaments will be as follows.

Senior Boys Under 16 years	-	Ball size No.7 Height of the Basket 3.05 meters (10 feet)
Senior Girls Under 16 years	-	Ball size No.6 Height of the Basket 3.05 meters (10 feet)
Mini Boys Under 13 years	-	Ball size No.6 Height of the Basket 3.05 meters (10 feet)
Mini Girls Under 13 years	-	Ball size No.5 Height of the Basket 3.05 meters (10 feet)
Midget Boys Under 11 Years	-	Ball size no.5 Height of the Basket 2.60 meters (8 feet 6 inches)
Midget Girls Under 11 years	-	Ball size no.5 Height of the Basket 2.60 meters (8 feet 6 inches)
Cadet Boys Under – 09 years-		Ball size no.5 Height of the Basket 2.60 meters (8 feet 6 inches)
Cadet Girls Under – 09 years-		Ball size no.5 Height of the Basket 2.60 meters (8 feet 6 inches)

- 16) **GENERAL:** The Referee/Organiser shall have the power to decide as to the fitness of the ground in all matches. Should a match be stopped by the Referee for any reason other than the misconduct of a team, the match will be replayed on a date and at a time fixed by the Committee.
- 17) Should there be less than six schools in the Girls groups and eight schools in the Boys groups the event stands cancelled.

- 18) As far as possible qualified referees will be officiating the matches, but if qualified referees are not available, knowledgeable Basketball Players will officiate.
- 19) Schools are requested to submit their entries after ascertaining their availability for the tournament. No block dates for examination, annual day, picnic etc. will be entertained for postponement of matches.
- 20) **Protest:** if any should be lodged with the venue in charge within half an hour of the conclusion of the match along with a protest fee Rs.5,000/-. The said protest should be endorsed by the Head of the School within 24 hrs after the conclusion of the match to the Association office or to the Association Basketball Secretary. The protest fee will be refund if the protest is upheld.
- NOTE:** The protest once decided by the Executive Committee of the Association will be final and binding and shall not be disputed by any of the parties concerned in any forum thereafter.
- 21) **DISCIPLINE:**
Damage to the property, misbehaviour of a serious nature will result in suspension of the players. The School concerned will have to bear or make good the loss of property.
- 22) **TROPHIES / SHIELDS / CUPS :**
It is resolved, that since the Association's Trophies / Shields / Cups are very old, valuable, precious and have sentimental value, the practice of allowing the school to carry away the Trophies / Shields / Cups will be continued by signing a BOND between the winning school and the Association. The Trophies / Shields / Cups will be presented to the recipient at the Prize Distribution Function of the respective EVENTS and will be allowed to be taken by the winning school and kept in possession for a week (7 days) only and the same should be returned to the Association's office on expiry of the date of the Bond **in the same condition as it was presented.**
- In case of any damage or loss of the Trophies / Shields / Cups, the winning school will have to pay the cost of the damage or loss of the said trophies / shields / cups valued at the present price.
- However the trophies / shields / cups will not be given to student or parent but only to the accredited representative of the winning school.
- 23) **Prizes:** Certificates and Medals will be awarded to the Winners, Runners-Up and Third Place.

VERY IMPORTANT:

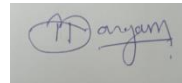
Headmasters/Headmistresses, being absolutely responsible when submitting the List of Players, must be very careful to see that the Dates of Birth are correctly entered as per the School General Register. Very often, though no fault of the Headmasters/Headmistress, Schools have been found fielding overage students and the schools have been disqualified. This brings disrepute to your school. Moreover a fine of Rs.5,000/- will be imposed on any school found fielding overaged players in any group. In case of school found fielding overaged players, the same will be notified to all Members Schools and made public through the press.

- 24) Schools walking out of the competition or disrespecting Prize Distribution Ceremony will also be fined Rs.5,000/- and action will be taken against the school as per the resolution of the Association.
- 25) Kindly note you are sending the entries after accepting our terms and conditions of the tournament.

HEADMASTERS/HEADMISTRESS OF THE SCHOOLS ARE REQUESTED TO KINDLY PUT THIS CIRCULAR ON THEIR NOTICE BOARDS, AS WE FEEL IT WOULD BENEFIT THE PARTICIPANT AND WHAT IS EXPECTED OF THEM ON AND OFF THE FIELD. HEADS OF PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS/SPORTS-IN-CHARGE/COACHES SHOULD READ THE RULES AND REGULATIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE SENDING THE ENTRIES.



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Hon. Gen. Secretary



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